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Subject: Campaign Finance Reform

On Sun Nov 23 18:33:55 EST 1997 you received the following message:

**Commissioner Susan Ness  
Federal Communications Commission  
1919 M Street NW  
Washington, D.C.**

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Much of the fundraising pressure faced by political candidates is a result of the need to pay for TV time. Giving candidates free time would lessen their dependency on big donors and on special interests.

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The value of this time bank could be kept at about - million, about what politicians spent in the 1995-1996 election cycle. That's about one half of one percent of the gross ad revenues the broadcast industry took induring that period. A small price to pay for improving democracy and helping restore the public's faith and interest in the political process.

Signed: Margaret V. Gibbs  
E-Mail: Haibebe@hotmail.com

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Signed: Robert J. Chesnick  
E-Mail: chesnick@netaxs.com

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Signed: erssrd  
E-Mail: gfdg

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